

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 3195 - SB 3129

February 5, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Defines an “emergency vessel” as any vessel equipped with red or blue flashing lights that is operated by law enforcement officers. Requires any person operating a vessel to stop or keep out of the way of any emergency vessel and obey any reasonable signals or directions regarding movement of traffic on the water, including audible or visible sirens. Requires vessel operators to move away from emergency vessels at no-wake speed if within 150 feet when emergency lights are activated. Creates a Class B misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$100 and no more than \$500 or imprisonment of no more than 30 days or both for a violation of these provisions.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue - Not Significant
Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Revenue – Not Significant
Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency will not issue a significant number of citations for violations of this provision.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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